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Sir:

On July 27, 2001, a certified copy of application No. 09/806,158 was obtained from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Office of Certified Copies. However, upon reviewing the certified copy, it was noted that a copy of the Sequence Listing filed with the new application on March 28, 2001 was missing, thereby rendering the certified copy defective.

As such, Applicants respectfully request that the U.S.P.T.O. prepare a new certified copy of the present application as soon as possible. The Examiner is requested to contact Kristi L. Rupert, Ph.D. (Reg. No. 45,702) at 703-205-8085 as soon as possible to pick up the certified copy.

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